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1. The Eisen- und Innetten Werk (EIW) Thale of MAG Marten manufactures machine parts and enameled ware such as cooking utensils and bathtubs. The Russian general director is (fnu) Malenko L/. Objects referred to at the plant as "wine containers" (Weinbehälter) are also in production; they measure six meters in height and have a diameter of two meters. They are enameled inside and out; the outer enamel is green, that on the inside of uncertain color. The containers are carefully checked before leaving the factory for leaks; any holes found are plugged with gold (sic). The containers have covers; on each top there is a valve. The tubs are made in the Container and Apparatus Division of EIW (Behälter und Apparatebauabteilung). They are shipped from the plant by rail, one container to a railway car, marked for Moscow. Usually five or six tubs are shipped at once; shipments are dispatched about once a week. EIW has been delivering the containers at the rate mentioned since 1948.
2. EIW makes large, enameled green "wine containers", also transformer and dynamo sheets. The plant employs about 8,000 men. Russian officials in charge of the Thale factory live in Quedlinburg, about 15 miles from Thale. Russian acceptance officers are assigned to the plant. 2/

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Comment. The above reports on the manufacture of "wine containers" at [redacted] doubtless contain some inaccuracies.

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